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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION SECRETARIAT 2004 JAN -9 A 10: 14 Alfred C. Sharpton Rev. Al Sharpton Presidential Exploratory **MUR 5363** Committee (a/k/a Sharpton 2004) and SENSITIVE Luis A. Miranda, Jr., as treasurer

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In the Matter of

GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT #2

I. **ACTIONS RECOMMENDED**

Accept the attached signed conciliation agreement with Alfred C. Sharpton and Rev. Al Sharpton Presidential Exploratory Committee (a/k/a Sharpton 2004) and Luis A. Miranda, Jr., as treasurer ("Respondents"), and close the file in this matter.

II. **DISCUSSION**

On November 5, 2003, the Commission found reason to believe that Alfred C. Sharpton violated 2 U.S.C. § 432(e)(1) and 11 C.F.R. § 101.1(a) by failing to file timely his statement of candidacy, and that Rev. Al Sharpton Presidential Exploratory Committee (a/k/a Sharpton 2004) and Luis A. Miranda, Jr., as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 433(a) by failing to file timely its statement of organization, as well as violating 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(3) by failing to file timely its 2002 Year End and 2003 April Quarterly Reports. The Commission also approved a conciliation agreement for these Respondents which contained admissions of the violations and a civil penalty

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Accordingly, this Office recommends the Commission accept the attached agreement and close the file in this matter. A check for the amount of the civil penalty has not been received. III. **RECOMMENDATIONS** 1. Accept the attached signed conciliation agreement from Alfred C. Sharpton and Rev. Al Sharpton Presidential Exploratory Committee (a/k/a Sharpton 2004) and Luis A. Miranda, Jr., as treasurer. 2. Close the file. 3. Approve the appropriate letter. Lawrence H. Norton General Counsel 1/8/04 BY: Associate General Counsel for Enforcement Susan L. Lebeaux Assistant General Counsel Attorney Attachment **Conciliation Agreement**